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PLASTICS PLANT TO MAKE NEW CONSUMER ITEMS; PENICILLIN PRODUCTION PROCEEDS SLOWLY

TO MAKE APRONS, TABLECIOTHS -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 26 Dec 50

The "Jugovinil" Plastics Factory in Kestel Sucurac is producing various new polyvinyl-chloride products, such as acid-resistant hard and soft plates and pipes. The factory has also mastered a method for producing material for raincoats, aprons, tablecloths, and combs. The production of these items will begin in mid-January 1951. Later the factory will begin production of plates for insulating containers used in the chemical industry, artificial gut, hard pipes for the chemical and petroleum industries, storage-battery containers, insulating material for electric cables (substitute for rubber), and artificial heels for shoes and boots.

The factory is also studying the possibility of producing polyvinyl alcohol for medical purposes, thread for sutures artificial cord for fishing nets, and synthetic paste from polyvinyl acetate, to be used by the aircraft industry. The factory exports liquid chlorine, caustic soda, hypochlorite, and vinyl chloride.

ONLY HALF OF FERMENTING TANKS OPERATE -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 27 Dec 50

Of the eight fermenting tanks in the penicillin shop of the "Galenika" Fharmaceutical Products Factory in Zemun, only four are in operation. The other four tanks lack temperature regulators, and only one prefermenter is available instead of seven. Thus far the import of the necessary equipment has been dragging endlessly, preventing capacity production of penicillin.

In addition to penicillin, the "Galenika" Factory is experimenting on a method of producing streptomycin. The factory has succeeded in producing penicillin in oil in the laboratory and now is experimenting on the production of ergosterol (Vitamin D) from waste obtained in the production of penicillin.

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PRODUCES CASEIN DYES -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 3 Jan 51

Recently, the dye and lacquer factory in Medvode began the production of casein dyes for the Yugoslav leather industry. At present, the factory is producing sufficient dyes to cover Yugoslav needs.

The factory in Domzale produces nitrogen lacquers for the automobile industry. The factory imports nitrocellulose for these lacquers but obtains the solvents and softeners from domestic sources.

The factory in Medvode also produces "Tesarol" enemels for the automobile industry, as well as "Drevosan" spray against the San Jose scale. This spray consists of mineral cils, creosol, and fatty acids.

PRODUCES PHENOL, CREOSOL -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 2 Jan 51

The "Katran" (Tar) Factory in Zagreb is engaged in distilling tar, from which phenol and crossol are produced. Engineers Mlinaric and Sefer of the "Katran" Factory are responsible for the production of phenol and crossol, which have been produced by the factory for the past 2 months. The equipment for producing these two items will be doubled, so that Yugoslavia will save 14 million dinars per year in foreign credits.

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